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Letter dated 19 August 1998 from the Chairman of the Committee on Conferences addressed to the President of the General Assembly

I am again writing in connection with the provisions of section I, paragraph 7, of General Assembly resolution 40/243, according to which no subsidiary organ of the General Assembly may meet at United Nations Headquarters during a regular session of the Assembly unless explicitly authorized by the Assembly. Those subsidiary organs that wish to meet during a regular session of the Assembly submit their request through the Committee on Conferences.

I wish to inform you that the Committee on Conferences has received a request from the Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund to meet in New York from 8 to 11 September 1998 during the main part of the fifty-third session of the General Assembly. The request is being transmitted to the Assembly at its fifty-second session so as to enable the Executive Board to meet without the interruption that would be necessary if the request were submitted for approval to the Assembly at its fifty-third session, which will open at the time the Executive Board expects to convene.

The Committee on Conferences, having carefully considered this request and the reason for it, does not object, on the strict understanding that any meeting would have to be accommodated within available facilities and services, so that the activities of the General Assembly itself are not adversely affected.

Accordingly, I should be grateful if the General Assembly would explicitly authorize the Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund to meet in accordance with its request, subject to the conditions referred to in the foregoing paragraph.

(*Signed*) Koji F. X. **Yamagiwa**
Chairman
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